

RETURNS AFTER MANY BATTLES.

Twenty-third Infantry Ends Globe Trip.

IN THE FIELD FOR THREE YEARS.

Regulars Back From Manila on the Buford—Had Long and Eventful Voyage—Reviewed by the British Officers at Malta.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Twenty-third Regiment, U. S. Infantry, got home today on the transport Buford, after three years in the Philippines, where it engaged in some fifty or sixty fights, on almost every island of the archipelago which has been penetrated by United States troops.

It went away in 1898 with as fine a record for good service in time of peace as any regiment in the army, and it came back today with a reputation for fighting in the field and endurance on the march unequalled by any other command. Besides that, it has the distinguished honor of being the only regiment of United States regulars that has ever made the circuit of the globe, and the only regiment in existence that has that honor, the volunteer regiments which performed the same feat having been mustered out long ago.

In addition to the Twenty-third Infantry, the Buford brought back about 250 men of the Seventeenth Infantry, who have also been in the Philippines for upward of three years, and a number of officers of other regiments who are home on leave or who have been assigned to regiments now in this country. In all there were 1,250 persons on the Buford, including ten women, the wives of officers, and four little children.

Incidents of the Trip.

The trip from Manila here consumed sixty-five days, which is thirteen more than the schedule, the delay being due to seven days spent on a coral reef, twice more in untangling a mass of hawsers from the propeller, and three more in fighting the giant waves which the ship encountered in the last two weeks of the trip.

Besides the last there was other excitement on the long journey. After leaving Manila the fourth assistant engineer, Murphy by name, imbibed too freely of rum, and went around gunning for the chief engineer and anyone else who desired to interfere with him.

He was put in irons, and then the butcher, who was his friend, endeavored to release him, and was put in irons, too.

Both will be turned over to the Federal authorities in this city tomorrow.

There was one death on the Buford. Corporal Beck, who was coming home on sick leave, died while the transport was in the Red Sea, and his body was embalmed and brought here.

The officers and men of the Twenty-third came back in prime shape, most of them bearded and brown and looking like men in their uniforms, which were given to them before they left Manila in place of the ragged khaki they used in their campaigning. They had not a complaint to make of their treatment during their hard three years' service, save that accorded to them on the Buford. The rationals served on the transport did not suit them at all.

Proud of His Regiment.

Col. J. Milton Thompson, a veteran of the civil war and commander of the Twenty-third, was very proud of the regiment which he brought back with him today. He said that it had made a record for itself which any regiment in the service might be proud of.

In addition to Colonel Thompson, the officers of the Twenty-third to return on the Buford were Majors W. H. W. James and C. H. Hodges, Capt. W. H. Sage, H. L. Lambach, G. S. Goodale, H. W. Stevens, W. A. Nichols, Samuel Seay, Jr., C. F. Huggins, J. L. Hines, R. C. Cotton, and S. A. Cloman, and Lieutenants C. B. Bonny, Cattle, L. W. T. Merry, G. A. Horiat, W. W. McCann, Jr., W. A. Kent, L. A. Saxton, A. T. Overstake, J. A. Moore, W. K. Armstrong, F. A. Watts, and J. W. Norwood.

Among the privates of the regiment who returned on the Buford was Johnny Poe, Princeton, 1895, famous as a football player. Poe is a private by choice. He has been in the regiment during most of the time it has been away. Colonel Thompson has tried to get him to prepare for an examination for a commission, but he has declined to do so.

He was visited by Nelson Poe, his brother, today, another Princeton football player. The regiment was royally treated at Malta by the British garrison on the way home. The Buford did not stop at Singapore, Colombo, Malta, Gibraltar, and Port Said.

Marched Through Malta.

At Malta the regiment landed and marched through the city. It was reviewed by Major General O'Callaghan, of the Royal Artillery, and the officers were dined by the Governor-General, Sir Francis W. Grenfell, and by Admiral Sir John Fisher, K. C. B., commander of the Mediterranean squadron.

The Royal Engineers and the Royal Artillery also dined the officers, and all were made members of the Malta Union Club.

Although the Buford left Manila early in September, she was some time in picking up her passengers. She had to cruise around the islands quite a bit before she got them all. It was midnight on September 16, while rounding Zamboanga, that she ran on the coral reef and stuck fast. A heavy sea was running and rocks were sent up.

The tug Lawton responded, but it took seven days to get the transport off. When she was dragged off she was pulled so violently that everybody aboard thought that she was going to the bottom and there was considerable excitement.

Among the officers on leave was Capt. F. G. Russell, of the Thirty-fourth Infantry, the man who rescued Lieutenant Gillmore and his party after their long captivity by the Filipinos. Captain Russell was very modest about his achievement, declining to go into details about it. He went straight to Washington.

Other officers on the Buford were Surgeon Major H. S. F. Harris, Capt. E. M. Supple, Fourteenth United States Cavalry; F. J. Stritzinger, Jr., Twenty-seventh United States Infantry; Capt. O. H. Graham, Pay Department; Lieutenants H. R. Ferguson, Engineer Corps; S. B. Bottoms, Artillery Corps; L. D. Rucker, Sixteenth Infantry; Harrison Hall, Artillery Corps; Fitch Lee, Jr., Twelfth Cavalry; Grayson V. Heldt, Third Cavalry; and A. S. Cowan, Fourteenth Infantry.

The 200 men of the Seventeenth Infantry left here on the Sheridan February 15, 1898. They got to Manila on April 14, and two days later were in the trenches fighting. They all saw service of the most active kind. The detachment includes men whose discharges date from now until the first of the year.

The Buford did not dock today, remaining anchored off Liberty Island. She will go to Weehawken tomorrow morning and land her passengers and cargo. The Twenty-third Regiment will be divided there, one-half proceeding at once to Plattsburg, the other half remaining here until Tuesday, when it will go to Fort Ethan Allen.

Discharged Men Get Ashore.

About 150 discharged soldiers and a number of civilians who arrived on the Buford and were impatient to get ashore this morning, hailed the tug E. M. Rimmer, Capt. Dave Roche, better known as "Bronzo," which, in South Street parlance, means "out for the dollar." Roche wanted \$2.00 for each man, but when he had heard a few violent opinions of himself expressed he came down to \$1. It took him half an hour to land the 150 men, and he cleaned up \$100.

VIOLATIONS OF THE PROTOCOL.

China Buying Arms and Ammunition.

ARSENALS WORKING OVERTIME.

Joint Protest by the United States and Other Powers May Be Made Against the Alleged Flagrant Disregard of Peace Terms.

Information has been received by the State Department that the Chinese Government is violating that condition of the international peace protocol which forbids the importation of firearms, material for their manufacture, or ammunition into China for a period of two years.

China's boldness in thus defying the Powers causes much surprise here, particularly as the temper of the nations concerned in suppressing the Boxer trouble has not entirely been appeased, and further transgression is likely to prove disastrous to the Flowery Kingdom.

The question of the proper method of dealing with China's violation is under consideration, and it is expected that a protest will be addressed by the United States and other nations to that Government.

Arsenals Working Overtime.

According to the address on the subject that has come to Washington, the Chinese arsenals are engaged in working overtime in the manufacture of cannon and small arms, and the importation of munitions of war is going on steadily.

Just what is China's reason for this course of conduct is not definitely known here, but it is suspected that the Chinese authorities are apprehensive of another conflict with foreign nations, and hope to make a better showing than they did against the allied armies last year.

CALMER IN HER PRISON.

Mrs. Williams Recovers Her Composure and Asks for Counsel.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 1.—Mrs. Lottie Williams, wife of the man who killed John Kraus, has recovered from her hysterical condition, and is now taking her imprisonment philosophically. She has comfortable quarters in the county jail, and is under the direct care of Mrs. O'Hare, the matron.

She asked last night that a lawyer be sent to her, and Charles E. Bird, city solicitor, has taken charge of her case. He will probably make an effort to have her released, on the ground that she cannot be detained on the charge of being a witness to the killing of Kraus. If this move is made, the prosecutor will undoubtedly have her arrested on the charge of complicity.

The woman has told two stories. In one, she declared that she saw her husband beat Kraus over his head, and placed her hand on his shoulder. In the other, she says she was in a different apartment, and did not know that the man was dead until called upon by her husband to assist him in wrapping the body in a blanket, preparatory to hauling it away in a wagon.

Mrs. Kennard Smith, mother of Mrs. Williams, and Charles Fry, the husband of a younger sister, came from Wilmington, Del., today, and visited the jail. The sheriff was not there and the visitors would return later in the week. Mrs. Smith takes her daughter's disgrace very keenly.

The police have no clue to Williams' whereabouts. They have notified the police of New York and Philadelphia, and believe it will be impossible for him to keep out of reach for any great length of time.

Mrs. Williams says that her husband's father is president of an asphalt company in Hightstown, and that he graduated from a college in that city.

The funeral of Kraus was held today at the residence of a brother-in-law. It was a quiet affair. The body of the service was kept from the public to avoid attracting a crowd of curious people.

M. DE LANESSAN ACCUSED.

Admiral Dupont Says He Aided in Disclosing Voyron's Report.

PARIS, Dec. 1.—Admiral Dupont, in a letter to the "Gaulois," accuses M. de Lanessan, Minister of Marine, either of communicating to the press General Voyron's report on the conduct of the French forces recently in China, or rendering its disclosure possible.

SOUSA PLAYS FOR THE KING.

A Concert Given by Royal Command at Sandringham.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Sousa's Band was summoned to Sandringham today by special command of the King to play at a special Sunday night concert in honor of the birthday of Queen Alexandra.

Mr. and Mrs. Sousa were presented to the royal family. This is the first American company so honored, and it is considered that the King wishes to show cordiality to the United States and will extend further favors to Americans, both personally and socially, during the coronation ceremonies.

After the family dinner at Sandringham the band gave a concert, with the royal party as an audience. The military marches and "coon songs" were much applauded. Mr. Sousa was the recipient of a number of gifts.

It is expected that the Sunday concert will cause much criticism from religious bodies.

Counsel for Accused Boers Dead.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 1.—George Lohmann, counsel for the Netherlands Railway of South Africa, who acted as counsel for a number of Boers accused of violating their oath of neutrality, died at Matfontein this morning.

The "Royal Limited."

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Exclusively Pullman train, best smoking car, parlor, observation, dining and cafe cars. Leaves Washington daily 2 p. m. No extra fare for that regular Pullman charge.

Flynn's Business College, 8th and K. Business, shorthand, typewriting—\$25 a year.

Weather Strips, 12 ft., 12 cts. each, felt or rubber edge, 6th and New York ave.

1 ct. per linear foot Weather Strip, at 6th and New York ave. F. Libby & Co.

NEW DEMOCRATIC LEADERS.

Shepard and Peabody to the Front in New York.

MANAGER IN BROOKLYN ARE APPARENTLY EAGER TO ASSUME THE ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED BY REPRESENTATIVE McCLELLAN AT THE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS IN WASHINGTON ON SATURDAY. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT EDWARD M. SHEPARD TOOK A LEADING PART IN THEIR PREPARATION, AND THAT AFTER THEIR APPROVAL BY THE BROOKLYN STATISTEN AT A CAUCUS IN THE WILLOUGHBY STREET AUCTION ROOM THEY WERE SENT TO RICHARD CROKER FOR TRANSMISSION TO WASHINGTON.

This is what James Shevlin, Hugh McLaughlin's chief lieutenant, had to say about the matter:

"The resolutions were approved by the Kings County organization and by the Democratic organization of the entire city before they were sent to Washington. They represent the views of all the party leaders."

Another lieutenant of the veteran Kings County manager said:

"If these resolutions were the work of Mr. Shepard, as I believe, the Democratic party is to be congratulated on the fact that he is taking so lively an interest in its affairs. A great many of us believe and trust that Mr. Shepard will in a very short time be recognized as the State leader of the party in New York, or, at the very least, as one of the most influential voices in its councils."

Coupled with the advancement of Mr. Shepard and his friend, George Foster Peabody, to front seats in the Kings County organization, are rumors that an effort is soon to be made to induce Senator Michael J. Coffey, Comptroller-elect Edward M. Grou, J. Edward Swannstrom, President-elect of the Borough, and all the other leaders in the bolting organizations to return to the regular fold.

Involved in this plan is the proposed permanent retirement of all the obnoxious leaders and the filling of their places by independents of the Shepard-Peabody type. Hugh McLaughlin, however, under any and all circumstances is to remain in his old place as commander-in-chief of the Democratic forces in Kings County just as long as he desires to hold it.

DOG CAUSES DEATH
OF FIVE PERSONS.

UPSET LIGHTED LAMP AT NIGHT.

Flames Spread Through the House While Family Slept—Father, Who Escaped, May Also Die.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 1.—Fire, caused by the overturning of a lamp in the home of Carl Burke, broke down this city, early this morning, and killed five persons to death.

MRS. HARRY C. BURKE, forty-three years old, ADAM GUSTAVE BURKE, eighteen years old, MARY BURKE, thirteen years old, JOHANNA BURKE, eleven years old, JOSEPH BURKE, eight years old.

The father was terribly burned, and is delirious in the hospital. He may die.

Adam, the oldest son, an opera house usher, went home at midnight, ate his luncheon, and leaving the lighted lamp on the table, retired. The dog, in eating the remains of the meal, overturned the lamp, setting the tablecloth on fire, and the flames spread and were not discovered till they had reached the second floor.

Mrs. Burke told her husband to save the furniture, and that she would attend to the children. He went down stairs, but the flames prevented his return. He was mounting the stairs when the floor of the dining room structure fell in.

With his nightshirt afire, Burke rushed to the open air and attempted to rescue his family with a ladder from the upper windows.

The charred bodies were found in the cellar. Mrs. Burke clasping her youngest child in her arms.

HAWAII'S EX-QUEEN HERE.

Lillooehani and Traveling Companions at the Ebbitt.

"H. M. Queen Lillooehani," written on the register of the Ebbitt yesterday, heralded the return to the National Capital of the former ruler of the Hawaiian Islands.

Queen "Lili," as she is better known to the Washingtonians, among whom she made her home three seasons ago, came to the city on the steamer Albatross, and was accompanied by her young companion, Miss Myra Heluluhe, John D. Amoku, and Joseph K. Aea.

The party of Hawaiians had a dray load of trunks, seventeen in all, and expect to remain here throughout the winter. The traveling companions of the Queen were educated by her in Hawaii, and are now being taken on a tour of the world to complete their education.

Mrs. Dominis, as the Queen has been known since having been deposed as a monarch, expects to maintain a hospitable home here this winter. It is understood. She has expressed her complete satisfaction with present conditions in Hawaii, however, and declares that she feels not the least resentment toward the Government, which now exercises supreme authority in her stead in the islands.

It is not believed that Queen "Lili" will call upon President Roosevelt, according to the view expressed by one of the party.

BOERS DRIVEN BACK.

Burgheers Held in Check by an Armored Train.

DE AAR, Dec. 1.—On Wednesday last thirty Boers attempted to cross the railway between Mafeking and Vryburg.

An armored train arrived and a skirmish took place, in which five Boers were killed and a number wounded.

On Friday night forty Burgheers succeeded in crossing the railway near Potchefstroom, going west.

Improved Service West, B. & O. R. R.

Under recent change of schedule, train leaving Washington 6:50 p. m. (daily) arrives in Chicago in time to connect with "Rock" trains of Western road, including "Piedmont Limited" and "California Limited," giving quick service to all Pacific Coast and intermediate points.

Dressed Common Boards, \$1.25 per 100 ft., by Frank Libby & Co.

Flooring, \$1.25 per 100 square feet, tongue and grooved, at Frank Libby & Co.

Doors \$1.00 each; White Pine 1 x 2, inches thick—ready painted. Libby & Co.

LIST OF DEAD NOT YET KNOWN.

Unable to Learn Number of Ferry Victims.

STORIES TOLD BY THE SURVIVORS.

Mad Scramble for Life by the Passengers on the San Rafael—People on Vessel When She Sank—Men Who Proved Heroes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Although the managers of the San Rafael Ferry Line declare that not more than three lives were lost by the collision last night with the ferryboat Sausalito, it is plain from the accounts of several cool headed men who were on board that from ten to twenty persons perished.

The work of ascertaining those who are missing cannot be done until tomorrow, as most of those who were lost are believed to be workingmen. They will not be missed until they fail to show up at their work tomorrow, as it was the custom of many of these men to remain over here for Sunday.

Many Unaccounted For.

The ticket collector admits that there were over 250 people on board, and 225 of these have been accounted for. Several on board declare there must have been 200 passengers, as the boat had been delayed in starting by fog. The list of dead and missing as far as can be given is as follows:

The dead:

W. G. Crandall, cashier for the Long Stry Company, San Francisco.

G. T. Treadway, waiter on the San Rafael.

Little son of Mrs. Waller, Ross station, who was torn from his mother's arms and sank.

Unknown man seen to sink by Dr. Fitch. The most seriously injured was Jim McCue, a pioneer stage driver and horse trainer. He was eating in the restaurant and was pinned to the wall by the collision, having one arm broken and one ear nearly torn off. Despite these injuries he saved several women. He will recover, as he received no internal hurt.

Harry T. Willard, of San Francisco, was injured about the head, but will recover.

James G. Campbell, the engineer of the San Rafael, was badly bruised, and it is feared suffered internally.

Facts That Are Known.

The facts that make it probable that the loss of life was heavier than the managers admit are these:

There were over 250 people on the boat, which was suddenly run down and seen to be slowly sinking. All were cool on board until the Sausalito backed away. Then it seemed to strike the crowd that they were being deserted, and a panic set in. When the Sausalito came back in about five minutes, and a narrow gangplank was run out to the San Rafael, there was a fearful scramble to get on this plank to a place of safety on the other steamer's deck.

In this rush and age were disregarded. Men beat women aside, and knocked each other down to get first place. F. G. Robinson gives the best description of this panic of terror that converted the mob of people into wild animals, intent only on their own safety. He said:

"I am naturally conditioned, but for a few minutes I did not know what had happened. It began with a woman throwing her arms about my neck, and another woman tried to climb over my back. I lost my head, for I felt I would be dragged down and lost, and I struck out, threw aside the women, and slugged the men."

Joined the Mad Scramble.

"I knew nothing until I was on the Sausalito, with my coat gone, my vest ripped up the back, and several bruises on my face. All those who came through that rush were in the same condition. I saw several fall into the water, and as the boat went down I saw women and children on her deck without life preservers. It does not seem credible that they were all picked up, as the fog was very dense and the current swift."

This survivor's story epitomizes the experiences of a large number of those who passed over the gangplank to the Sausalito. Others jumped into the water and were picked up. Nearly all of these units say that more than 250 were on the boat that went down. Of these one man is known to have drowned. He was W. G. Crandall, the cashier of the Long Stry Company, whose body was found today on Angel Island, where it had been washed up by the tide.

Crandall could not swim a stroke and was sixty years old, but he stayed on the San Rafael helping others to put on life preservers until the boat went down. His friends called to him to jump to the Sausalito, but he relied on Captain McKenzie's statement that the boat would not sink, and lost his life, though he had on a life preserver.

Boat Was Not Cleared.

McKenzie's assertion that he went through the San Rafael and found no one aboard just before she went down seems to be disproved by several men who jumped into the bay as the boat sank. They say there were women and children who never got a chance to cross the gangplank, as the San Rafael's crew, from the captain down, did nothing to enforce order. Only the admirable work of the Sausalito's captain and crew prevented a fearful disaster.

Captain Tribble, of the Sausalito, lashed his boat to the sinking vessel and stayed by her until his own boat was in danger of being capsized, something not one captain in a hundred would have done. Then everyone on the Sausalito lent a hand in throwing life buoys and life preservers overboard. All admit they could not see the people in the water because of the thick fog, and were guided only by their cries.

The water was very cold, the ebb tide

WILCOX ARRESTED IN CROSEY CASE.

HELD ON CHARGE OF ABDUCTION.

Belief That the Young Woman Is Alive Strengthened by Receipt of Letter From Plymouth, N. C.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 1.—James Wilcox was arrested late tonight at Elizabeth City on the charge of having abducted his sweetheart, Miss Ella Crosey.

He was bailed in \$500, and the case will be heard tomorrow.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 1.—Nell Crosey, who dropped out of sight under most extraordinary circumstances on the night of November 30, a few minutes after her sweetheart had hidden her farewell, may be alive.

Her father received a letter yesterday dated at Plymouth, in the southern part of this State, written by T. F. Osborne. The letter declared that a young woman answering the description of Nell Crosey was seen in Plymouth on November 21, accompanied by a man. The description given of this man does not conform to any friend that the girl had, so far as her parents or sisters know.

Mr. Crosey immediately on receipt of Mr. Osborne's letter telegraphed to the writer asking for further particulars. He does not believe that the information contained in the letter will prove to be of any value.

The Crosey case is one of the strangest on record, and the deeper it is probed the more confusing it becomes.

WANTS AGUINALDO HERE.

General Chaffee Said to Have Found Treasonable Letters.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 1.—A letter received at Fort Leavenworth says: "General Chaffee has recommended that Aguinaldo be brought to this country. It is stated that he has been detected in carrying on treasonable correspondence and trying to stir up strife."

Aguinaldo is a clever captive, but advises received by a spy Chaffee believes the leader's presence in the islands is responsible for the insurgents' recent activity."

It is said that correspondence of Aguinaldo of a treasonable nature has been detected and that he will probably be tried and brought over here under sentence ranging from two to three years.

MRS. MACKEY'S WHEREABOUTS.

Said to Have Taken Refuge With Friends at Roslyn, Va.

Over in Roslyn, Va., at the home of a relative, Mrs. Catherine Mackey, wife of Judge Thomas J. Mackey, was located last night. Following her escape from a nurse Saturday afternoon, as she was leaving Chase's Theatre, Mrs. Mackey seems to have taken temporary refuge at the Roslyn residence, where, according to Judge Mackey, lives Mrs. Anna Padgett, his former wife.

Judge Mackey declares he will today proceed to Roslyn in a carriage and take charge of his wife. He states that he shall return her to St. Elizabeth's Asylum for the insane.

From her place of refuge Mrs. Mackey telegraphed yesterday morning to her father, Colonel Porterfield, a wealthy business man of Charlottesville, Va. On receipt of her dispatch, Colonel Porterfield seems to have at once notified the authorities of St. Elizabeth's Asylum of the whereabouts of his daughter. An attendant of the asylum even visited Roslyn yesterday, but owing to the fact that Mrs. Mackey had taken refuge in Virginia, he said nothing could be done toward her return to St. Elizabeth's. Judge Mackey was finally informed last night that his wife had been located. He had spent much time searching for her. He said:

"In answer to my enquiries the asylum authorities informed me tonight that a telegram had been received from Colonel Porterfield, at Charlottesville, Va., to the effect that Mrs. Mackey had wired him that she was located at Roslyn, Va. I shall go over tomorrow morning myself for Mrs. Mackey."

Judge Mackey explained that following an episode somewhat similar to that of Saturday afternoon, which took place some months ago, Mrs. Mackey was finally placed at St. Elizabeth's Asylum for the insane for treatment. It was to vary her life somewhat, and without fear of danger, that the asylum authorities decided to send Mrs. Mackey to the theatre Saturday. A nurse from the hospital accompanied Mrs. Mackey. Through the performance Mrs. Mackey sat quietly, but on leaving the house she broke away from her attendant and fled.

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Doors \$1.00 each; White Pine 1 x 2, inches thick—ready painted. Libby & Co.

6x20 Shingles, and plenty of them, at 6th and N. Y. ave.

ALL READY FOR CONGRESS.

House and Senate Convene at Noon Today.

Work Before the Legislators.

Many Important Matters to Be Considered—Much Money to Be Spent—President's Message to Be Read Tomorrow.

Congress will assemble for its fifty-seventh session at noon today, but the members will not hear the President's message read until tomorrow.

Then the Senate and House will be officially advised of the death of President McKinley and will immediately adjourn out of respect to his memory. By virtue of the fact that he is President pro tem of the Senate, Senator Fry will occupy the Vice President's chair and call that body to order. A committee will then be appointed to wait upon the President and inform him that Congress is in session and ready to receive any communication from him. Senator Gamble of South Dakota will then announce the death of his colleague, the late Senator Kyle, and out of respect to his memory the Senate will adjourn.

Election of the Speaker.

The Clerk will call the House to order and the members will be sworn in. This work will probably consume two hours or more, after which the Speaker and officers will be chosen. This will be practically the only business transacted. The fact that nearly the entire afternoon will be consumed in organizing the House is the reason for the delay of one day in sending in the President's message.

The Senate programme was decided upon at a conference at which Senators Fry, Allison, Foraker, Cullum, and Platt of Connecticut were present. It follows the precedent established in the case of the assassination of President Lincoln, and again in the case of the death of President Garfield. Officially the Senate is unaware of the death of President McKinley, and before adjourning as a mark of respect to his memory, precedent says the announcement must be formally made by his successor.

Senator Hanna's Disappointment.

In this connection a sore disappointment has come to Senator Hanna. He had expected to make the announcement of the death of his beloved friend, and to offer a suitable set of resolutions and move for the adjournment